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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Briefing of Kilday Subcommittee  
on 26 July 1961

1. This memorandum contains a recommendation in paragraph 5 for the approval of the Director of Central Intelligence.

2. Met with Bob Smart to make final arrangements for tomorrow's hearing at 10:00 A.M., and to determine if there are any specific areas on which Mr. Kilday desired coverage. We arranged for a technical sweep of the hearing room and it was requested that, as usual, we bring our own reporter to take the transcript.

3. In reviewing which members of the full Armed Services Committee had been briefed by Air Force on the Soviet Fly-By, Mr. Smart advised that while several briefings had been proposed, in fact Mr. Vinson was the only one who had been briefed. It is possible that by tomorrow Mr. Bennett will have had the opportunity for a briefing on the Fly-By. Mr. Smart said he thought the Subcommittee would be interested in a general run-down of the significance of the Fly-By and the various aircraft in it.

4. Mr. Smart then indicated that it would be appropriate for the Director to cover whatever trouble spots there were in the world mentioning Cuba, Laos and Vietnam. With respect to Cuba

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Mr. Smart felt the Subcommittee would be interested in the cessation of payments by [redacted] to the wives and beneficiaries of the invasion force and the turnover of this responsibility to HEW. Previously, Mr. Smart had been briefed in detail on this by Mr. Barnes.

5. Continuing with the subjects to be covered, Mr. Smart mentioned, of course, the Soviet military posture and the main categories of weapons systems, such as bombers, air defense, submarines and the missile situation. With respect to missiles, both ICBMs and MRBMs, Mr. Smart apparently has some inkling of developments in the intelligence field relating to information on deployment of missiles. It is recommended that some of the special information coming from TKH be discussed with this group. According to my records, you have briefed only Mr. Kilday on the Subcommittee on TKH. At this time, however, it is a fact that Mr. Smart is aware of both TKH and OXCART and certainly others of the full Committee are knowledgeable presumably at least Mr. Vinson, Mr. Arends and probably Mr. Kilday.



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